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WORKSHOP EXAMINES ROLE OF BROADBAND RESEARCH IN U.S. COMPETITIVENESS

Washington, D.C. – The current state of broadband research and how research can help bolster U.S. competitiveness and technology innovation will be the subject of a staff workshop Monday. Open to the public, the workshop is intended to gather data and information for the development of a National Broadband Plan, including a set of research recommendations that Congress could consider to enable the U.S. to be a global leader in broadband networking in the years 2020 and beyond and to further broadband deployment in the US over the next decade. FCC Commissioner Meredith Attwell Baker will participate with comments on the second panel.

TIME: Monday, November 23, 2009, 9:30 a.m.

LOCATION: FCC Commission Meeting Room, 445 12th St. SW, Washington D.C. 20554.
Please register in advance at <http://www.broadband.gov/workshops/registration.htm?wsid=33>

ONLINE: Must register in advance at http://www.broadband.gov/ws_future_fiber.html

AGENDA:

9:30 a.m. **INTRODUCTION OF WORKSHOP**

FCC Participants:

- **Commissioner Meredith Attwell Baker**
- **Douglas C. Sicker**, Senior Advisor, National Broadband Taskforce
- **Stagg Newman**, Chief Technologist, National Broadband Taskforce
- **Rashmi Doshi**, Chief, Laboratory Division, Office of Engineering and Technology
- **Erik Garr**, General Manager, National Broadband Taskforce

9:35 a.m. **PANEL 1**

- **Dan Atkins**, Kellogg Professor of Community Information, University of Michigan
- **Charles Bostian**, Alumni Distinguished Professor, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
- **Vint Cerf**, Vice President & Chief Internet Evangelist, Google Inc. (remote)
- **David Clark**, Senior Research Scientist, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

- **Chip Elliot**, Chief Engineer, BBN Technologies; Project Director, Global Environment for Network Innovations
- **Ty Znati**, Division Director, Computer and Network Systems, National Science Foundation

1:00 p.m. **PANEL 2**

- **Victor Bahl**, Principal Researcher & Manager, Networking Research Group, Microsoft Research
- **David Borth**, Corporate VP & CTO, Government and Public Safety, Motorola, Inc.
- **Adam Drobot**, President & CTO, Advanced Technology Solutions, Telcordia Technologies
- **David Farber**, Distinguished Career Professor of Computer Science and Public Policy, School of Computer Science, Carnegie Mellon University (remote)
- **Dick Green**, President & CEO, Cable Television Laboratories, Inc.
- **Mark Levine**, Managing Director, Core Capital Partners
- **Marcus Weldon**, Corporate CTO, Bell Labs.

3:00 p.m. **ADJOURNMENT**

Staff workshops are being held to promote an open dialogue between the FCC and key constituents on matters important to the National Broadband Plan. The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 directed the FCC to submit a National Broadband Plan to Congress by February 17, 2010 that addresses broadband deployment, adoption, affordability, and the use of broadband to advance solutions to national priorities, including health care, education, energy, public safety, job creation, investment, and others.

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